

Raksha Mantri meets his Belarusian, Tajik & Kazakh counterparts of the sidelines of SCO Defence Ministers' meeting in Qingdao, China

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Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh held bilateral meetings with the Defence Minister of Belarus Lieutenant General Victor Khrenin, Defence Minister of Tajikistan Lieutenant General Sobrizoda Emomali Abdurakhim and Defence Minister of Kazakhstan Lieutenant General Dauren Kosanov on the sidelines of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers' meeting in Qingdao, China on June 26, 2025.

In his interaction with the Ministers, Raksha Mantri highlighted the importance of continued engagement in defence cooperation and exploring new opportunities for collaboration in areas of technical collaboration. He highlighted the rapid advances made by India in the field of defence production and achieving self-reliance in meeting its defence requirements in several key areas.

Shri Rajnath Singh also briefed his counterparts on the Pahalgam terror attack and *Operation Sindoor* launched by India aimed at dismantling the terrorist networks in Pakistan.

The Ministers agreed to continue cooperation to enhance capacity building, training, military technical cooperation, military education amongst other areas of common interest.

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